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Sir:

The above-captioned patent is entitled to small entity status. This notification is being filed at the time of paying the issue fee.

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